

## STATE OF MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS YOUTH COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS

## YOUTH ON-SITE HEARING GUIDE

Do	one	Activity
		Identify all present; allow only:
Ī		The youth
		Parent(s), guardian(s), custodian(s) or their representative(s);
		Youth's legal counsel
		Juvenile Parole Officer
		Department personnel and counsel
		Hearings Officer
		Tape or Digitally (Audio) record the entire hearing
		Label the tape or digital file with name of youth and date of hearing
		Retain the recording for at least one month in case a transcript is needed
		If youth appeals to the District court, provide a transcript of the hearing to the District Court
		Establish:
		The youth has been served notice of hearing
		The youth has document stating evidence against
		Youth's plea to the allegation and description in own words of the allegation
		Youth's plea not made with duress or promises
		The youth has had time to consult with counsel
		Read aloud:
		Violations and supporting evidence
		Present:
		Documentation (Court Order, UA/BA, Parole Agreement, Police Reports)
		Questions:
		Youth regarding each violation
		Juvenile Parole Officer regarding each violation
		Juvenile Parole Officer recommendations
		Legal Counsel input
		Youth response to recommendations
	7	Determine if there is a preponderance of evidence the youth has committed serious and/or habitual violation of
	_	parole conditions
	7	At the conclusion of the hearing, the Hearings Officer will make a verbal statement of findings and decision but may
	_	choose not to inform the youth at the hearing location if there is concern over aggressive action.
	_	The Hearings Officer will notify the youth of findings within 24 hours of the conclusion of the hearing. The Hearings
L	_	Officer will inform the youth and Legal Counsel that the youth's Parole eligibility date will be determined by the
		Length of Stay Committee at the facility after the youth returns to the facility.
		If the decision is to amend the youth's parole agreement, use YCC 100-4 (K). The youth will be placed in accordance
		with the Hearings Officer's decision.  The youth, attorney, and parent(s), guardian(s), custodian(s), or their representative(s) will be notified they have five
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	_	working days to appeal the decision to the Director of Corrections. If there is an appeal, the youth will be returned to the facility and await the decision of the Director.
		Present written findings (within three working days of the hearing) detailing the basis and reason for the decision
_	_	reached to the superintendent of the correctional facility, the Youth Community Corrections Bureau Chief, the
	_	Juvenile Parole Officer, the youth, the youth's parent(s), guardian(s), custodian(s) or their representative(s) and the
		youth's attorney.
Γ		If revoking, complete and sign revocation order
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